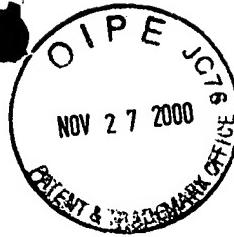


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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 22, 1999 in the above-identified application. Request for reconsideration and further examination is requested.

A Request For Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is being filed in lieu of filing a Brief on Appeal pursuant to the Notice of Appeal received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 23, 2000 in the above-identified application. A four-month extension of time for filing a Brief on Appeal is respectfully requested. A separate Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fees are being filed concurrently.